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GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Pittsburgh District maintains and operates 23 locks and dams and 16 reservoir projects and oversees 42 local flood protection projects in western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio, southwestern New York, northern West Virginia and western Maryland. With over 100 years of experience, Pittsburgh District has developed a number of areas of expertise in the fields of inland navigation and flood damage reduction as well as environmental protection and restoration, construction management, recreation, watershed management, water supply, water quality, acid mine drainage remediation, and natural disaster response.

The Pittsburgh District also administers a regulatory program as authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and the Clean Water Act of 1972. Under the program, any individual, company, corporation, or government entity planning to construct facilities or place fill material in waters or wetlands of the United States must obtain a permit from the Corps of Engineers. For more information on the regulatory program, please refer to <http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/or/or-f/permits.htm>.

SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE:

The Pittsburgh District fully supports all Federal programs established for the benefit of Small Business, Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB), Small Women Owned Business, Veteran Disabled Business, and Historically Underutilized Business (HUBZone Empowerment Contracting Program). We are proactive in ensuring that these businesses receive a fair share of the contracts this District awards annually.

Additionally, we require our large business contractors to provide meaningful subcontract opportunities to aforesaid businesses through the inclusion of a "Small Business Subcontracting Plan" requirement in our prime contracts awarded to large business. For more information, please refer to <http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/bus/sadbu.htm>.

LARGE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE:

The Pittsburgh District regularly awards contracts to large business for various products, technical services, construction, and maintenance. Pittsburgh District utilizes EBS (Electronic Bid Sets) to advertise solicitations-- Contractors can register for solicitations and download Plans and Specs via the internet. Contract and bid information is also available at the Pittsburgh District Contracting Division Office located on the seventh floor of the William S. Moorhead Federal Building. For more information, please refer to <http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/bus/bus.htm>.

ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY:

In accordance with authorized programs of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Pittsburgh District can assist communities in addressing problems and opportunities related particularly to navigation, flood damage reduction, ecosystem restoration, and infrastructure rehabilitation. The Pittsburgh District has technical capabilities in the full range of project development phases, including planning, engineering and design, real estate acquisition, construction management, and operation and maintenance.

Pittsburgh District also interacts with local schools and communities through public outreach and education programs such as the National Water Safety Program. Other programs cover a variety of topics in natural resources and ecology. Special recreational and stewardship events are also held throughout the district.